

Amendments to the Specification:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1,121(b)(1), the following replacement paragraphs show deleted subject matter by strikethroughs and double brackets and added subject matter by underlining.

Please replace the paragraph at page 3, lines 14-15, with the following amended paragraph:

Figure 5 is a cross sectional view, taken generally along the line 2—2 5—5 shown in Figure [[1]] 6a, of an embodiment of the invention with an adjustable threaded bearing fit inside the bore.

Please replace the paragraph at page 3, lines 19-25, with the following amended paragraph:

An example of an embodiment of the present window operator is shown generally in Figure 1. The operator comprises a housing 1 having a base 20 for mounting the housing on a window frame using conventional means and a top part 21. Top part 21 has a partially raised section 21a. Disposed on raised section 21a is an upper tubular section 21b through which a worm gear 7 (schematically shown) of a window crank (not shown) extends. An internal slot section 2 generally extends a part of the length of raised section 21a and is designed and oriented to accommodate an operator for opening and closing a window.

Please replace the paragraph at page 5, lines 21-29, with the following amended paragraph:

An indented interface or tool slot on the bottom or end part of threaded portion 13 provides an adjustment means for securing bearing 8 into the housing. For example, by reference to Figures 6a and 6b, the bottom of the threaded portion 13 contains an essentially flat surface with an indent marked with a tool interface such as a hexagon hole 14 or a cross 15 for accepting a Philips screw head, or a cross 15. Adjustor indent is located appropriately to permit a user to thread and lock the bearing in place. Other designs or configurations may be interchanged to provide a tool interface and promote adjustment of the screw bearing. Once assembled and adjusted, bearing 8 is tightened into place. Threaded bearing 8 secures the operator arm 3 within slot section 2. Bearing 8 permits movement of the operator arm while holding it in place.

Please replace the paragraph at page 5, line 30 to page 6, line 9, with the following amended paragraph:

The bearing assembly is assembled by first aligning the operator arm hole 9 and housing bore 4 in slot section 2. Second, the adjustable threaded bearing 8 is inserted through the open end of bore 4, through the bore 4, through slot section 2 and arm hole 9, and extending up through and to the bore closed end 5, and thread with internal thread 6. The top of the inner end 17 of bearing 8 rests against or near to a portion of a lower wall of top part 21. Bearing 8 does not extend through the case. In an example, this portion of top part 21 is designed to accommodate the dimensions of inner end 17. For example, it comprises a cylindrical open hole in top part 21 generally centered with slot section 2. Orientation is appropriate to advantageously position the bore for communicating with the worm gear. ~~In another example, bearing 8 may not have cylindrical contour but may have an oval or unsymmetrical cross section.~~—Bore 4 is designed to accommodate contour perimeter of bearing 8.